BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Order Instituting Investigation into the ratemaking implications for Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) pursuant to the Commission's Alternative Plan for Reorganization under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code for PG&E, in the United States Bankruptcy Court, Northern District of California, San Francisco Division, In re Pacific Gas and Electric Company, Case No. 01-30923 DM.

Investigation 02-04-026 (Filed April 22, 2002)

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING REGARDING SCHEDULE

By Ruling dated March 6, 2003, this proceeding was reopened, and the schedule amended, to provide an opportunity for further information to be included in the record. This further information includes, but is not limited to, the Modified Plan of Reorganization (POR) of Pacific Gas and Electric Company (respondent) dated February 24, 2003, documents related to respondent's February 24, 2003 Modified POR, a Fourth Amended Declaration from Energy Division (ED), and comments from parties. The amended schedule sets a deadline of March 19, 2003 for ED to file and serve its Fourth Amended Declaration, and March 21, 2003 for parties to file and serve comments. Additional events, however, suggest that the schedule should be modified again.

For example, on March 4, 2003, the United States Bankruptcy Court ordered certain parties to participate in a judicially supervised settlement

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conference. On March 11, 2003, the court stayed all further proceedings relating to the Confirmation Trial before the court. The court scheduled a status conference for May 12, 2003 to address resumption of the Confirmation Trial, as necessary.

Pending further developments, there is reduced need at this time for a Fourth Amended Declaration from ED, and comments from parties, regarding respondent's February 24, 2003 Modified POR. As a result, the amended schedule adopted in the March 6, 2003 Ruling is suspended to the extent provided herein until further order. In particular, this proceeding remains open for the receipt of further information as necessary, but the following deadlines are suspended: March 19 (ED's Fourth Amended Declaration), March 21 (parties' comments), March 25 (objections), March 26 (responses to objections), and March 25 (resubmission without further Ruling if no objections are filed).

IT IS RULED that the amended schedule adopted in the March 6, 2003 Administrative Law Judge's Ruling Reopening and Resubmitting Record is suspended to the extent described in this Ruling under further order. In particular, the deadlines of March 19, 21, 25, and 26, 2003 are suspended. The proceeding remains open.

Dated March 18, 2003, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ BURTON W. MATTSON
Burton W. Mattson
Administrative Law Judge

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I have by mail, and by electronic mail to the parties to which an electronic mail address has been provided, this day served a true copy of the original attached Administrative Law Judge's Ruling Regarding Schedule on all parties of record in this proceeding or their attorneys of record.

Dated March 18, 2003, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ JEANNIE CHANG

Jeannie Chang

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